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Killingly Agriculture Commission
WEDNESDAY – DECEMBER 11, 2019

Regular Meeting

7:00 pm

Killingly Town Hall, 172 Main Street, Killingly, CT

ROOM 102 – FIRST FLOOR

MINUTES

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Attending: Amelia Kellner (member), Patty Larrow George (town council liaison), Virginia Champagne (member), Marina Capraro (staff), Byron Martin (chair)

Absent with notice: Frank Anastasio (member)

Absent without notice: Adam Hunt (member)

II. Agenda Addendum

Posted by town clerk the morning of 12/09/2019: *The commission will vote on discontinuing the use of their current website host, GoDaddy, and begin using the host site Wix. The cost of the new host is \$156/year. The commission made a motion to address the addendum after the adoption of minutes; all in favor; motion passed.*

III. Citizens Participation [limited to five (5) minutes per speaker for an accumulated time of no more than 30 minutes – unless extended by a majority vote of the commission members]

No citizens in attendance.

IV. Adoption of Minutes – review / discussion / action

A) Regular Meeting – October 09, 2019- Amended Minutes: A motion was made to accept the amended minutes of the October regular meeting; all in favor; motion passed.

B) Regular Meeting – November 13, 2019: A motion was made to accept the amended minutes of the October regular meeting; all in favor; motion passed.

Agenda Addendum: A motion was made to discontinue the use of the Ag Commission's current website host, GoDaddy, and begin using the host site Wix, approving the expenditure of \$156/year; motion seconded; all in favor; motion passed. Discussion about the timeframe for the new host; staff will register with Wix within the next week and work on getting our domain from GoDaddy.

V. Reports / General Business – review / discussion / action

A) Classes – discussion/action: Pending the outcome of Byron's schedule, he would like to host his two, recurring bee keeping classes in January and February. He will let staff know as soon as he can about his availability. Virginia is ready to run her microgreen class in March, given that Byron runs his beekeeping classes in January and February. If he does not, she can move it to run sooner.

B) Other Events – discussion: No other events.

C) Open Space Land Acquisition Committee / Farmland Inventory – meeting / progress report: The OSLA Committee has not met.

- D) **Killingly Community Garden – meeting / review / discussion / action:** The KCG has not met since October; Marina is running a workshop with them at their January meeting.
- E) **Tomato Festival – meeting / progress report**
 - i. **Review/discuss draft vendor survey:** Marina provided the commission with the vendor survey. Small edits were made. It will be sent out to the vendors of the Tomato Festival, to receive feedback.
- F) **Green News Newsletter – progress report:** Frank is absent; no update provided.
- G) **Winter Farmer’s Market– discussion/action**
 - i. **Advertisement update; \$140 budget:** Virginia will provide the P&D department with an advertisement to pay for within the week. The money will be from the Ag Commission’s budget per a vote at the November regular meeting.
- VI. **Town Council Liaison Report – meeting / progress report:** New town council liaison, Patti Larrow George, provided updates on the happenings at the most recent town council meeting. Discussion on various happenings in town ensued.
- VII. **Other Items – review/discussion/action:** No other items.
- VIII. **Next Meeting – Regular Meeting –JANUARY 08, 2020– review/discussion/action:** The next regular meeting will happen as scheduled.
- IX. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:33pm.